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expiration of the time subscribed for, will be striking the small silver buckle of his hat to the mournful wail that erst while had pointing to "the steep where fame's ures. Birth and wealth felt that within love songs to the music of the harp, she hearted girl bade him good night. considered a new engagement, and the paper

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BY WELL CUNNINGHAM.

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to Bracion, who had been the bearer of to leave his room. As soon as he be- ing floods of heaven's sunlight. rifles at forty paces-but of these Morti | was quickly silenced by that excellent | sing in his office: mer will confer with you."

ning to Stanhope, he departed.

was sitting in the "little cell," as he ry. ness to send to vonr kindred?"

if I fall, none are left to mourn the he sank staggering into a chair. The he had worshipped with little less than given to Mr. Stannope. he had entered—to work out good for his a troupe of laughing maidens, who be -- to a fire, and thought it extinguished. stormy closing of my brief career. Yet ladies thought, at least Miss Denham, passionate idolatry, and whom he had For the reader's enlightenment we kind, and to make himself a beacon light sieged him most unmercifully. Some But he was to be no longer deceived .--I have one boon to ask. In that trunk to that it was only a sudden fainting spell, fondly trusted was to have been his life. will here state that these were letters to those who should follow in the track entitled him Jupiter, and humbly craved Not extinguished, it had only slept-slept whose leaves is a pressed flower. When Belmont held to a different opinion .- sudden energy he turned and addressed den days to her affianced husband, who resistlessly on. Oh, it is a grand and dance of the stars-some claimed immor- aroused-it swept over his heart like the this body shall be wrapped in the shroud. Howard soon recovered, and the morn the bearer of the missive, "is your mis- had spent a few months in Washington cheering sight to see the human intellect tality for having discovered in him the burning stream of a lava tide-the resistflesh, now vigorous with life, instinct Mrs. Belmont was delighted with Stan. No, sir," politely responded the ser. preserved them as a sacred relic of his cessfully battling for the right. And hale the delicate odor of a posy, a late come what would, he determined to seek and energy; when the sepulchure shall hope's unaffected, natural manner of at. vant, who seemed to understand that dead mother's affection, she having con- proudly, eminently victorious was How discovery in botanical science by Flora an explanation from Isabel-herself, if that hold this heart and the proud hopes it tering his thoughts; and Isabel again something had gone wrong, "she and her fided them at her death to his care. And ard Stanhope. He lived with an aim. in the mountains of Peru-and in a mo-were to be obtained-if not, from her has cherished, take that flower-bear it | yielded to the charmed influence of a father left the city this morning, 'to trav- it was after perusing them, that in at- He fought with a purpose and for an end, ment he grasped at the top of his head, father. to Miss Denham, and tell her it is the dy- mind that she could not but feel was the el,' they said, and expected to be gone a tempting to place them in his pocket and success crowned his efforts. The fearing that it would be a total loss so Certain despair were preferable to this ing legacy of one who found her too soon | more powerful, yet a counterpart of her long time." or-too late."

and soon after took his leave to prepare was now confirmed beyond a doubt. An "None sir, she gave it to me as she housemaid, and came to Miss Johnson's sed him; a life of active benevolence, and of his nasal organs-gracefully bent down wished it to appear the result of accident.

here and allow me to be his nurse. Do | "I fear not, madam." in his face.

as you desire," and they parted.

found Stanhope. Mortimer, Irvine and wound." onist's bearing was lofty, calm and com- first pure love of her maiden's heart. his wrath, and the red thunderbolt pierce that her idol had been shaken, not shat. so the young hopeful taking sherry with hope, after a few minutes earnest pleading watched her beaming face in the dance. manding, expressing neither fear, hate. "I have nought to offer her," said he, the bosom of the waters, and the abandoned drunkard -- arm-in-arm obtained a reluctant consent from his And yet somehow that night it happened nor triumph. For a moment he was ob to Col. Denham, some weeks subsequent waves leap aloft in the strife as if to women ever love -- for what she thought the parson and the profligate, the miser companion to meet him on the morrow in the fair beauty's pillow was wet with tears served to look full at Irvine, and then to the above, in asking his approbation put out the stars, and the rosy-cheeked the public drawing room, the very room | -- shallow in the heart must be the founwithdrawing his gaze, he took a slip of to a union with his daughter-"I have, is extinguished in the hissing billow .-- again heart whole. It came not over youth and the hoary-headed licentiate. in which they now sat. They were each tain of sorrow that will not sometimes paper and pencil from his pocket, wrote nought to offer her but a heart that has Yet when the "anchor is cast on the arm her like a chilling blight. She felt that A strange incongruous mass-yet such to wear a rose-bud as a means of recogni. overflow. When she arose the next a few lines, and as Mortimer advanced never cherished a dishonorable emotion -- of the mighty to save," the winds will she had been deceived -- but that now she an one oft-times may be seen at a fash- zing the other -- the lady's in her hair, the morning, upon her toilet lay a note adand bade him God speed, handed it to and a name that it shall be my ambition be fulled, the storm-king will sleep in was free-that instead of losing a treas. fonable watering place. Stanhope had gentleman in the button-hole of his vest, dressed to her, in characters she but too him, with the injunction not to read it to render dear to the hearts of my coun- billow-rocked tranquillity, and fair isl- ure she had escaped a calamity -- and she been at Saratoga about a week. He had It was stipulated that the lady it sufficient. well remembered. They were those of until after the duel was over. It had trymen." fallen to Bracton's lot to give the word. "These are enough," was that gentle. the deep, where the wrecked marriner rified, etherialized. Having asked each of the parties if he man's response, "they are better than may repair his vessel, provide another We have said that when Stanhope last a small party of friends was spending a it by taking the rose-bud from her hair read. It was short, but oh, how pleadwas ready, and the answers of both be- riches or the pride of birth. I perceive compass, and re-light his torch of hope it was at the few weeks at the Springs. Having no and placing it in her bosom-if not, how- ing. ing in the affirmative, a silence as of you have an honest ambition, and love Even thus death for a moment succeeded. Then your country, and though the world calls with a slow, distinct utterance came the me wealthy and you poor-being a man words, "fire-one-two-" ere he had of principle and a patriot you are my

ment more and Stanhope sank slowly to with honest sincetity.

ped that he fainted from exhaustion, and them into more than earthly beauty .-- ing fires of ambition.

time not marked, will be inserted till forbidden

hero. "In the event that you fall, How- Belmont in a ride, though he was yet Can it be that she is changed, that she one, she discovered it to be addressed to as he progressed. He had a towering in those who would seek a remedy must which she had regarded him, that her ard, is there nothing I can do for you? quite feeble and thin, that lady ordered has already repented the folly of loving Mr. Stanhope, written in delicate, femi. tellect - a grasp of thought - an original delve in the garden of the heart. All heart no longer beat responsive to the Perhaps you have some message of kind- the coachman to set them down at the the humble child of poverty?-perhaps nine characters, and signed truly and de. ity of conception seldom equalled, but this by the way. In the meantime How- music of the past, he turned and left the house of a friend, as she wished to make so, at least so thought, so feared Howard vetedly yours. "Mabel Howard was his and Stanhope had become seperated from room, and in the solitude of his chamber "Thank you." feelingly answered his a call. And Stanhope, not hearing the Stanhope, not hearing the Stanhope, not hearing the same nature, and bearing lady companion, and was sought communion with his torn and bleedcompanion, whose heart seemed melted name, was ushered ere he was aware of his eyes did not deceive him-he was the post mark of Kentucky, and directed It never flagged, no matter how arduous standing in pensive attitude in a rather ing spirit. Ahi woe to the true-hearted by Mortimer's genuine sympathy, "I have it into the presence of Miss Denham .-- "forever discarded too by to Washington city, D. C. And be the task-how difficult the obstacles, or forever discarded too by to Washington city, D. C. And be the task-how difficult the obstacles, or forever discarded too by to Washington city. D. C. And be the task-how difficult the obstacles, or forever discarded too by to Washington city. D. C. And be the task-how difficult the obstacles, or forever discarded too by to Washington city. D. C. And be the task-how difficult the obstacles, or forever discarded too by to Washington city. D. C. And be the task-how difficult the obstacles, or forever discarded too by to Washington city. no kindred. Like Logan not a drop of The shock was too great for his nerves Isabel. She to whom he had suffered his "Mabel Hown d" whom she might, it low steep the eminence. He determined which was the scene of the festival, when the same. Stanhope had compared his my cloud runs in any human veins; and in their present enervated condition, and soul to bow shis kindred spirit-whom was evident that her whole heart was to triumph-to win the race for which he suddenly found himself surrounded by love to a dream, and said, "it was ended" the left you will find a copy of Shelly, in occasioned by over exertion; but Mrs. mate on earth, and in heaven. With a written by Howard's mother, in her mai- of his progress. These drove him on his generosity to instruct them in the the sleep of the volcano. Once again and the grave-worm shall batten on my ing passed rapidly and pleasantly away. tress-is Miss Denham at home?" previous to his marriage. Howard had battling with fate for the victory-suc- lost pleiad-one begged that he would in- less sweep of the mad tornado. And "I will," said Charlie, in a low tone, had thought her irresistible, his opinion cept this note?" upon the floor-were picked up by the oppression and wrong, tose up and bles. the fair termenter applied to the orifices an interview with Miss Denham. He for the morrow. On his return from air of grace -- of purity breathed around was leaving, and she looked so concern- hand as before stated. That model of a consciousness of having well performed to inhale the delicate odor of the Peruvi- and hitherto no fit opportunity had offer-Stanhope's office he called upon Mrs. her. The rude, foul breath of the world ed-like, so sorrowful that I thought at jealousy soon perceived that fortune had the duties of his calling, were well. an posey. Another, and yet another, ed. In the meantime he was the con-Belmout, with whom he was quite a fa had left undisturbed the freshness of her first there was something the matter with thus placed in her possession the very springs of pleasure to him, as they are ven, all had some weapon of attack - now stant companion of the fair Julia W ---

it only remained to "toss up" for the mont. She had heard him mutter her ard Stanhope cared not to avoid the her vile purpose had been accomplished. chant, the broken banker, reputed a mil- kingdom. onds were "tossing up" for the word; the detailed account of the duel, &c., and as Yes, the war-cry of woe may be heard in could command herself until her visitor horses, inheriting his equestrian talent her gentle, yet dignified, frank, but not dance. Gayer, more brilliant than usual surgeons with grave, serious countenan. may be supposed the generous hearted every heart, and the dark vultures of was gone. Even then her proud soul from his grandfather, who was a head hos- familiar, seemingly artless, yet perfectly the peerless Isabel floated through the ces, looking toward the expectant com- girl did not fail to admire his noble con- despsair on swooping wing scent from rose in the majesty of injured innocence there in a dirty country inn. The whis- refined. And when she spoke, Stanhope saloon, making all hearts conquest by the batants, stood a few paces off beneath a duct. With the news of his rival's dis- afar the blood of battle, but from out the while she penned the note, which as has kered roue of genteel dress, who lets fall almost started at the low, liquid tones of magic of her smile. She was to bid adicu shady oak. And Irvine and Stanhope had missal, came fresh, young hopes budding terrible conflict that which is pure shall already been seen, Howard received .-- proverbs of wisdom and morality to the her melodious voice, so like were they to to morrow -- and profuse were the regrets "taken their places," and were leaning in the noble soul of Howard Stanhope. come purer and brighter, and that which Having despatched it, for a time she man of leisure and jewelry with the gold those of her whom he had formerly loved offered at her expected departure. Elated on their rifles, awaiting the signal for With a palpitating but manly heart he is good shall come like gold from the fur- yielded her haughty spirit to sorrow, her headed walking-cane-in the morning. "--but no, she could not be the same," by her success, and giving free scope to action. Irvine's face looked pale, his entered the lists, and ere the lapse of a nace, yet more refined -- and in the sight heart seemed drowned in woe. That forgetful that only the night previous, thought he, and giving wing to his lofty the buoyancy of her disposition, she shone brow was dark with hate and lowering, month from the date of Irvine's depart. of men and angels more lovely and exal- night she told her sympathizing father side by side, they fought the spotted tiand his eyes flashed like burning coals - ure, he had won from Isabel, the peerless ted. The marriner may lose his compass all -- and in compliance with her request ger -- they turned the wheel of fate and land of high ideal, happy to have a sym- and bore off the palm from every compeyet at times his thin, white lips trembled queen of his soul, the blushing acknowl. in an unknown ocean on the trackless to travel, the subsequent morning they fortune, winning and losing dollars and pathetic listener. But time were on, and titor. "Oh. how happy, how joyous," and quivered convulsively. His antag- edgment that to him was confided the deep, when the storm king is sbroad in bade adieu to their home. Isabel felt cents in a gambling-hall. There was al- as the ball was drawing to a close, Stan. was the mental ejeculation of those who

when he recovered consciousness it was But how sudden are the changes of life "Well," said he, to himself, a few unheeded by-and soon the lone orphan, the admiration and esteem of the other in you have it, saler, sensible, Howard only for a moment, and he became deliri- -- of the human heart, which is life. A months subsequent to Isabel's dismissal with a warm heart full of the noblest and the highest degree -- but the lady was alous. In this state he was removed to moment the morning twilight spreads its of him, and her departure from the city, most generous impulses, was regarded as ready affianced to a youth in her western blue rose buds -- what an anomaly! They Before leaving the ground, Mortimer, sunshine dazzling in splendor. Yet spee- dream-too glorious perhaps for mortal proudly selfish. Thus erred who conside a second alter to love ere the fires of a not grasp them. They bung above him, remembering the slip of paper he had re- dy as the lightning's flash, and then all destiny. Well for me that it ended so ered him such-and thus often in error first were entirely consumed. Stanhope but they were beyond his reach. ceived from Stanhope, took it from his is enshrouded in the impenetrable folds early. In the sunshine of love the wings is the wise world's judgement. There's had been at Saratoga, as we before repocket, and having perused it, handed it of night's sable garments. At the early of my ambitious spirit were fast scorch. a keen and subtle susceptibility of tem- marked, about a week, when one evening in silence to the surgeons. It contained dawn the young fledgling hope creeps ing their brilliancy and wasting their perament in the lordly heritage of mind, he suffered himself induced to escort Miss. About eleven o'clock the next morning. "I could take his life, Mortimer, but for its nest-but soon frightened and still unremitting and sleepless energy shall be cately refined, and sensitiveness whose tainment at this place. Now in this her exquisite form of perfection, with no Miss Denham's sake 1 spare him. Examine weak, clings in trembling doubt upon the buckle upon his hat-I could strike his weak, clings in trembling doubt upon the given to those expecities which else would be buckle upon his hat-I could strike his cial notice—or rather there would not be buckle upon the possessor in cial notice—or rather there would not be be supported by the possessor in the pos "Noble fellow! generous hearted man!" fearful; but time brings power, and high is a power within me whose calls must patient, lightning like, eagerly impulsive but the present was quite an extraordinary the very sofa occupied the night previous were the expressions that succeeded the noon sees the nestling fearless and free, be answered. All are born for a pur. yet ever generous, ever sympathetic, - affair, the ball being no less than a real by the lady in the blue-diminio. The perusal of this proof of the wounded a full, fledged bird, soaring on wing un- posc. The chirping wren fills his allot. Over this the cold calculating philosophy downright masked one. Nay, friends, be drawing-room was well filled with numerman's magnanimity in sparing the life confined and tireless, bathing its gorgeous ted sphere, as the proud eagle his, and of those less gifted carelessly throws a not displeased at my introducing you to our ladies and their admirers. Anxious of one whose whole heart seemed bent plumage in the flashing sunlight of heav- wren or eagle while my pinions are free, freezing damp, and then forsooth, char that much berated thing, a masked ball, suiters were swarming around her, too, A mother could not have been kinder light of immortality. Anon, evening mine." to her own child, more considerate of his comes, and the proud flight is done-- the wants, nor devoted to his welfare than springing pinion is drooping and weary was the kind hearted Mrs. Belmont to -- the "soaring eagle is struck" -- and the Turn we now, gentle reader, and re- is placed upon the gifted and the gener- of note. The one is a huge bugbear part of the room. She raised them to his Howard Stanhope during the long weeks dust of the earth soils the plumage that trace our steps in order to find, if possi. ous hearted, and a line of distinction is without reality -- and the other, feeble face. He had already discovered her, and

"All right! the sooner the affair is over posal. and thence he began to be looked the face its removal the betrayed has discovered your baseness, hapthe better," responded Bracton, profes- upon as one of the family. In the meannot an interview with the writer, as your research to the face its removal the betrayed has discovered your baseness, happily in time to profit by the knowledge. Seek determined to defeat their alliance if posthe better," responded Bracton, profes- upon as one of the family. In the meansionally—and bidding a polite good morsionally—and bidding a polite good morsional given him great eclat. and he bade fair with the hope of never again meeting you, fate seems peculiarly propitious -- at least inner sanctuary. But enough of this. found. They dot the wide world over -- very tone of the maiden. The blue do-

spirit and she seemed a perfect blen- her-but when she took old master's arm means by which she could accomplish never rewardless -- but was he happy? lavish of praise -- now punning malicious and gossip had already announced him an

"Many a green isle needs must be In the deep, wide sea of misery."

THE BANNER pronounced the word three a simultane. equal, and I am proud to know that my those like him there are "many green winter again resounded with the praises Kentucky, whenever her fairy form made she pleasantly charged him with his deous report was heard from the two guns, daughter has chosen so wisely." And isles." Not one to waste life in vain re- of a gifted orator. Many thought he over its appearance in public. Miss W-- votion the blue dominio-and laughingly and Irvine fell heavily forward. A mo- Colonel Denham shook Howard's hand pinings, believing that Isabel had either tasked his powers by too close confine- had many admirers -- yet though constant- rallied him as at last a victim. "Ah' how Thus was Stanhope with a heart sing, took this means to break the bond that powerful, enthusiastic mind of the dark that Stanhope was the favored one. It said she, "when your fair incognita shall At first all thought Irvine was dead, ing its own wild notes of happiness, united them, or that she had suffered her eyed son of genius there lay concealed she rode, he was sure to be her gallant -- prove to be a venerable spinster in search but before his second and surgeon reach- treading on roses, and his thirsty soul self to dismiss him, unheard, in conse some hidden sorrow—some knawing can in an evening promenade it was upon his of a husband and a home, or a staid mated him he rose to his feet. The only drinking deep draughts of bliss from love's quence of a mere misapprehension, a false ker. But this was only surmise, suspi- arm she most frequently leaned; and ron who will send her liege lord to de-If a syed until the end of the year, 250 damage he had sustained was a stung exhaustless goblet. The tones of glad. report, a malicious slander, he called cion. Society opened to him her bosom, when upon the balcony, beneath the trem. mand the meaning of your sentiments. -A, lure to order a discontinuance at the shock from his adversaries bullet-first ness were now sounding a joyous echo pride to his aid, and with a compass but he sympathized not with her pleas alous light of the liquid moon, she sang Take care. Mr. Stanhope," and the lightband, and then scraping his skull. But gone out from his writhing spirit. Fair proud temple shines afar," he steered on him was mirrored an aristocracy loftier ever unconsciously, as it were; turned to And take care, Mr. Stanhope, say we, not so with Stanhope. He had received howers were springing up in the garden under the light of hope's torch, once than that which they claimed. Fashion, Stanhope's dark eyes for sympathy. | with the fair Julia, for venerable spinster, a severe wound in the side, and it was of his heart -- and the sparkling fountains quenched in the cold waters of disap. arrayed in the profusion of showy splen. And yet, gentle reader, there was no sober matron or blooming maiden -- of a so long before the bleeding could be stop. of requietted affection were watering pointed love, yet re-kindled at the scorch. dor, opened to him her garden of delights love between the accomplished Julia verity did Howard Stanhope that night

misty mantle-another brings the warm wit was a bright, heavenly, gorgeous cold, unfeeling, haughtily vain and home, and Stanhope was not one to crect were showered around him, but he could with timid, feeble fluttering to the top of power. Now that it is ended, to toil which added to feelings of a nature deli. Julia to the ball, which is a nightly enter- attired in a plain white dress, which fitted edge of its narrow abode, longing yet waste in despondency and gloom. There web, oft-times render the possessor im cial notice-or rather there would not be, luxuriant hair, sat a beautiful girl upon en, like a freed spirit maniling in the I shall speed on to the fulfillment of ges upon the hearts chilled by its own I am sure it contains not those evils dire but her eyes were wandering in search of

CHAPTER V.

-but her tinseled flowers were passed W- and our hero. Each possessed dream of blue rose-buds. There, reader. reckless folly mawkish delicacy, redicu- which pseudo moralists charge it with a counterpart to the flower in her hair -lous eccentricity, or repulsive wayward engendering. The fear is all in the name Suddenly they fell upon a rose-bud dangness of temper. Thus is it that a mark as is the danger-and neither are worthy ling to a gentleman's vest in a distant "I accept," said Stanbope, cheerfully, of suffering that elapsed ere he was able but now so brightly flashde in the gleam- ble, the clue by which to unravel the drawn between them and the common .-- morality frightened at its own lean shad. seemed to be gazing with eager interest mysterious cause of Miss Denham's ap. Little think they who draw it, it is drawn ow. Think what harm is there, what toward her. Now was the propitious a challenge to him from Irvine, the mor- came convalescent-with many expres. The arrow that struck Howard Stan- parently cruel note to our hero. A wil- forever. Well do I know that upon the harm can there be in covering the so-call- moment to transfer the tiny flower to her ning succeeding the brilliant party at sions of gratitude to his motherly hos. hope's proud bird of hope to the heart, ful, weak-minded girl, niece to Mrs. Bel. former rests the charge of making this ed human face divine with a thin, bent heaving bosom. But no! a smile of scorn Mrs. Belmont's. "The time I would ap- tess-he expressed a desire no longer to was the following note received by him mont, who lived with her aunt, becoming invidious distinction-nobly, meekly and painted pasteboard, which serves only as a spreads over her beautiful features, and point at ten in the morning-weapons intrude upon her hospitalities-but he one evening, while sitting quietly mu- smitten with the interesting invalid du in silence they have borne it. Still oh, means of concealing that which is so with a slightly heightened color she turnring Howard's illness at the house of how unjustly burthened some warm and elegantly caricatured. Yo say it is false ed away, and continued conversing with lady who would not listen to such a pro. Mr. Stanhope-The heart you would have that excellent lady, and at length discov. tender heart, many a grand and lofty mind -- remove it, and in how few cases is your increased animation. And there stood An hour afterward Charlie Mortimer to be made quite a lion of on his recove. you are forever discarded by Isasen Desnam. so thought this young lady when, one Cold as he seemed, reserved as he really and those who would remove them must minio and Isabel Denham were one,-Ha! what terrible mystery was this? morning, her maid handed her a bundle was, on went Howard Stanhope in the not pause to examine the outward demea. Strange concidence! Fully convinced called it, in close conversation with our One day, while accompanying Mrs. to what baseness of his does she allude? of letters, from which having unloosed fulfillment of his duties, winning laurels nor. The evil has a deeper root -- and by the look of haughty contempt with one morning while leaving his room at down-trodden children of misfortune sudden and so powerful were the effects suspense. Another week rolled on, and own. As to Isabel, if Stanhope before Did she leave any message for me ex. Mrs. Belmont's, they fell, unperceived, whom he sought out and relieved from of a miniature bottle of hartshorne, which Stanhope had not yet been able to obtain

"I heard this morning," said she, "that ding of simplicity and refinement. She and walked to the coach that was to con- her heartless design upon the unsuspect. were his bright anticipations realized? -- ly at his expense. At length skilfully accepted suiter. a duel is anticipated between Harry Ir was a child and yet a woman-though vey them to the depot she looked quite ing girl and her innocent lover-we say Did the fame he had gained answer his parrying with corteous, yet playful rallery And how was it with Isabel? Since vine and the young Kentuckian. Is it Howard verily thought her more angel cheerful, and I really believe she was she readily perceived that she had the soul longings? Did he never ask himself the shafts of their wit, while apparantly her departure from Washington more than Now Mortimer was in honor than either. The day subsequent to this glad to leave the city." means, and she scrupled not to use them, the question, "what had become of the yielding to inglerious defeat, he suddenly a year before, many worthy hearts had bound to keep his friend's secret, and Mrs. Belmont and Howard sat alone in Stanhope passed a shilling into the It was but the work of a moment to al. being whose spirit he had once felt was seized a graceful, guzelle-like figure by paid homage at the shrine of her witchwas on the point of stammering out some the drawing-room of the lady's elegant servant's hand, who, after a profusion of ter the figures of the dates of two or three twin to his own?" Ah! he had called it the hand. (one too who had been conspicions of the lady's elegant servant's hand, who, after a profusion of ter the figures of the dates of two or three twin to his own?" awkward answer which the lady perceiv mansion. "You are gloomy, Mr. Stan- bows and grins, finally made his exit, of the letters-the months already cor. a gorgeous dream, and said, "it was en- uous in her pungent satire above all her fallen upon her car-but all were unvined its cause, and continued, "if, as I "I have not the courtesy to deny it." leaving the young lawyer alone—alone responded, so that it should seem that ded"—but was it so?

Summer came, and Stanhope's decligentle violence bore her from the gay had again met with one whom she consifear, these two young men design enga- was his polite, though mournful reply. of thwarted hopes and despised love .-- Denham and then taking those she had ning health rendered change of air nec- troupe and joined the throng of dancers, dered the betrayer of her affection and ging in mortal combat-in case your .Well, let me see, if I have heard any The towering fabric of bliss in the future altered and secreting the rest, with a disfriend Stanhope is wounded, I wish you news to day!" said the lady in a cheerful which he hed builded on the platform of tressed and anxious countenance called sers, and the heighth of the watering sea. quadrille, Howard's companion moved fluttered at his presence. What to her to promise me that you will bring him tone, "perhaps I can dispel your sadness.' requieted affection, was in one brief mo- upon Isabel. Seemingly unaware of son found our young counsellor one of with the same faultless grace. She that he was so soon to claim Kentucky's ment shattered to atoms by a shaft hur- Stanhope's attention to the latter, she many hundreds of Saratoga's summer danced elegantly and modestly with the fair daughter for his bride? Had she not you promise?" and she looked anxiously "Have you heard," said she, "of Miss led from the thunderbolt of disappoint. pretended to make her the confident of birds, very few of whom like himself most exquisite precision—and it seemed the proofs of his guilt? and was he not Denham's dismissing Irvine?" Stanhope ment-the simoon of doubt or change her woes-with well dissembled tears were invalids-the rest being votaries of that her very soul floated on the waves unworthy even of a thought? But hist. "Stanhope is so proud," said he, "that started, and the blood rushed to his face, had turned the garden of his soul into a and sobs told her that the unfeeling man, pleasure. Gay beauties were there of modesty, and there was music in her a strange, curious thing is the human I fear he will refuse aid from any one— but his hostess continued, "I have no desolate waste, the gentle zephyr whis- alluding to Howard, after having paid dashing city belles, some of whose debuts every motion. So charmed was our hero. heart—who can know it? One evening, but if necessary and possible it shall be doubt it is true. He took his departure pering delight to his life boat on a calm her every delicate attention, had succeed. had marked the present season as socie- that when the fair masker, or rather to yesterday for Europe, I suppose to con- and tranquil sea wooing it into a haven ed in obtaining her consent to become ty's brightest era-while others again re- distinguish her from the rest, (for she for Washington, while sitting conversing The hour appointed for the meeting ceal his disappointment and heal the of bliss, was now the muttering of the his wife, when the accident of this mor. sembled luna on the wane. Manœuver- wore a blue dominio) when the blue do. with a few friends in the drawing-room. storm—the tempest's growl, the wail of ning had revealed him in his true light, ing mammas seeking establishments for minio grew wearv of the dance he led her she caught the eyes of Stanhope fixed Bracton and a couple of surgeons on the As the lady imparted this information to the blast-the wild screaming of the tor- And here showing the letters to her soul their three charming daughters, with to an adjoining drawing-room, where upon her with a look of the most tender, ground ready for the work of destruction. his companion his emotion was plainly nado as it drove his careering bark over stricken auditor, she read aloud some en. whom, when married, the lady mother and were already a few other maskers paired yet mournful interest, and she thought she The seconds had arranged everything - visible -- and in a few moments he retired the mad, wide waste of waters toward dearing love passages in each -- and only four other junior specimens of feminine off, and sought to learn more of her. It heard him sigh as he passed slowly out, such as measuring the distance, choos- to his room. Howard's love for Isabel the maelstrom of destruction and in the took her departure when the quivering of grace were to reside until they in turn could not be denied, Stanhope was aling stations for their principals, &c., and Denham was no secret from Mrs. Bel. moment of his utter wretchedness How- her companion's lips told too truly that should be established -- the wealthy mer. ready on the confines of the blind god's man," said one of her female companions. word. It is difficult to imagine a more name in his delirium in terms of passion. We will not detail the conversation was made, however, by act of the party, interesting and thrilling scene than that ate endearment -- and feeling an interest for it. But there's an essence of good in tening to the dark recital -- it was with cratic house, discoursing in cockney that passed between him and his compan. and the conversation was resumed. which now presented itself. The sec. in his success, had given Miss Denham a everything evil, an oasis in every desert, almost raupehuman efforts that Isabel phrase upon the points of his span of panion of the blue dominio. He found Soon came the hour for the accustomed

ands will spring up from the bosom of passed through the ordeal unharmed, pu. been introduced to the celebrated states. ly pleased with his appearance to honor Stanhope. Hastily obeying the impulse man, H-C-, of Ashland, who with him with her acquaintance, should signify of her ardent nature she opened it, and blaze of ambition's fire—and of a truth other acquaintances, he joined himself ever, the gentleman was not to presume to Mr. C—'s coterie at that gentleman's to speak to her, or seek an introduction—was the untiring wing of the eagle.— polite invitation, and was ever seen at and thus they parted. In escorting the ly days. Since my separation from thee I have And happily for Howard Stanhops and Washington the succeeding aummer and the side of the lovely Miss W-from the festival, sought fame, and the sound of its trump filled

changed in her feelings toward him, and ment-many whispered that in the fiery, ly surrounded by suitors, it was evident your air castles will totter and crumble,

companions) and laughingly. yet with heeded, all in vain. And now that she "I wonder who he can bo?" No reply